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# POLICE REPORT OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENT

CITY OF NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA — Follow-up ☐ Hit and Run ☐

**TIME**

DATE OF ACCIDENT 1-4 19 — Day of Week FRIDAY — Hour — A.M. — P.M. — Item No. K-154467

**ACCIDENT INVOLVED**

1 ☐ Ran off road 2 ☐ Overturned on road 3 ☐ Pedestrian 4 ☐ Motor veh. in traffic 5 ☐ Parked motor veh. 6 ☐ R.R. train
7 ☐ Bicyclist 8 ☐ Animal 9 ☐ Fixed object 10 ☐ Other object 11 ☑ Other non-collision 12 ☐

**LOCATION**

ACCIDENT OCCURRED ON: METAIRIE RD. — District and Zone No. 2-W
Give name of street or highway number (U. S. or State)

At its intersection with
Name of intersecting street or highway number

If not at intersection 2000 Feet BOUNTEOUS Of FAIRWAY DR.
Show nearest intersecting street or highway, house number, curve, bridge, railroad, alley, driveway, culvert, milepost, underpass, or other identifying landmarks.

Private Property ☐ Public Street ☑

**VEHICLE NO. 1**

VEHICLE 1966 CADILLAC (GOLD) — Year, Make, Type (Sedan, Truck, Bus, etc.) — License Plate GLA 326 B157 — Year, State, Number — Brake Tag No. D 7661

Parts of Vehicle Damaged NONE — Amt. — Vehicle Removed to RES. OPER. — By DRIVER

Owner A. F. BICKER JR. — Address #32 ALLARD BLVD. N.O.LA

| Injury Code | | Print or type full name | Street or R.F.D. | City and State | Age | Sex & Race |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | DRIVER | A. F. BICKER JR. | #32 ALLARD BLVD. | | | |
| 0 | Driver's License LA 1615590 (State, Number) | Regular Operator's License ☑ / Other Type License ☐ | Specify type and/or restrictions | Date of Birth 6-10-25 (Month, Day, Year) | 44 | W/M |

INJURED AND OTHER OCCUPANTS

| | Name | Address (Street or R.F.D., City and State) | Age | Sex & Race |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Front Center | NONE | | | |
| Front Right | | | | |
| Rear Left | | | | |
| Rear Center | | | | |
| Rear Right | | | | |

Total Number of Vehicles Involved 2

**VEHICLE NO. 2**

VEHICLE 1967 HONDA MOTORBIKE — Year, Make, Type (Sedan, Truck, Bus, etc.) — License Plate 67 L 35414 M.C. — Year, State, Number — Brake Tag No. [illegible]

Parts of Vehicle Damaged LEFT SIDE — Amt. — Vehicle Removed to RESIDENCE — By DRIVER

Owner DIANE T. TURNER — Address 320 RIDGEWAY DR. METAIRIE, LA

| Injury Code | | Print or type full name | Street or R.F.D. | City and State | Age | Sex & Race |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | DRIVER | DIANE T. TURNER | 320 RIDGEWAY DR. | | | |
| A | Driver's License LA 1812933 (State, Number) | Regular Operator's License ☐ / Other Type License ☐ | Specify type and/or restrictions | Date of Birth 3-3-49 (Month, Day, Year) | 18 | W/F |

INJURED AND OTHER OCCUPANTS

| | Name | Address (Street or R.F.D., City and State) | Age | Sex & Race |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Front Center | NONE | | | |
| Front Right | | | | |
| Rear Left | | | | |
| Rear Center | | | | |
| Rear Right | | | | |

**PEDESTRIAN**

| Injury Code | Name | Address | Age | Sex-Race |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | NONE | | | |
| | | | | |

FIRST AID GIVEN BY NONE — Injured Taken to PRIVATE PHYSICIAN

DAMAGE TO PROPERTY Other Than Vehicles NONE — Amt.
Name object and state nature of damage and amount

Name and Address of Owner of object struck

CODE FOR INJURY
(Use only the most serious one in each injury)
K—Dead before report made
A—Visible signs of injury, as bleeding wounds or distorted member; or had to be carried from scene
B—Other visible injury, as bruises, abrasions, limping, etc.
C—No visible injury but complaint of pain or momentary unconsciousness
O—No indication of injury

WITNESSES—(other than occupants)

| Name | Address | Age | Sex & Race |
|---|---|---|---|
| WILLIAM LEE | 614 S. TONTI ST. N.O. LA | 22 | M/B |
| HAROLD HELMKER | 5608 RICKEY ST. N.O. LA. | ? | W/M |

STATED SPEED LIMIT 1 35 2 35

Investigators Estimate of Speed of Vehicle 1 30 2 20

Distance Vehicle Travelled after impact (feet) 1 ? 2 40

| | |
|---|---|
| Property Damage Only | |
| Number Persons Injured | 1 |
| Number Persons Killed | |

**ITEM NO.** K-1541-67

**WHAT DRIVERS WERE DOING BEFORE ACCIDENT**

Driver No. 1 was headed River, Lake, Uptown, (Downtown) On METAIRIE RD. (Street or highway)

Driver No. 2 was headed River, Lake, Uptown, (Downtown) On METAIRIE RD. (Street or highway)

| Driver 1 | Driver 2 | | Driver 1 | Driver 2 | | Driver 1 | Driver 2 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| ☒ 1 | ☐ | Go Straight | ☐ 4 | ☐ | Turn Left | ☐ | ☐ | Start in Traffic |
| ☐ 2 | ☐ | Overtake | ☐ 5 | ☐ | U-Turn | ☐ | ☐ | Start from Parking |
| ☐ 3 | ☐ | Turn Right | ☐ 6 | ☐ | Back-Up | ☐ | ☐ | Slow or Stop |
| ☐ | ☐ | Skidded before applying brakes | | | | ☐ | ☐ | Skidded After Applying Brakes |

| Driver 1 | Driver 2 | | Driver 1 | Driver 2 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| ☐ | ☐ | Remain Stopped | | | |
| ☐ | ☐ | Remain Parked | | | |
| ☐ | ☐ | Other | | | |

**TRAFFIC CONTROL** (Check one or more)
1 ☐ Stop Sign
2 ☐ Traffic Light
3 ☐ Officer or Watchman
4 ☐ R.R. Gates or signal
5 ☐ _____ specify other
6 ☒ No control present

**WEATHER** (check one)
1 ☒ Clear
2 ☐ Raining
3 ☐ Snowing
4 ☐ Fog
5 ☐ _____ specify other

**ROAD CHARACTER**
Driver (check one or more)

| 1 | 2 | |
|---|---|---|
| ☐ | 1 ☐ | 1 Driving Lane |
| ☐ | 2 ☐ | 2 Driving Lanes |
| ☐ | 3 ☐ | 3 Driving Lanes |
| ☐ | 4 ☐ | 4 Driving Lanes |
| ☐ | 5 ☐ | Divided roadway |
| ☐ | 6 ☐ | Expressway, toll road |
| ☐ | 7 ☐ | Unpaved any width |
| ☐ | 8 ☐ | Lanes marked |

9 Width of Street 1 26 2 26

**WHAT PEDESTRIAN WAS DOING** ☐ Along _____ St. or Hwy.

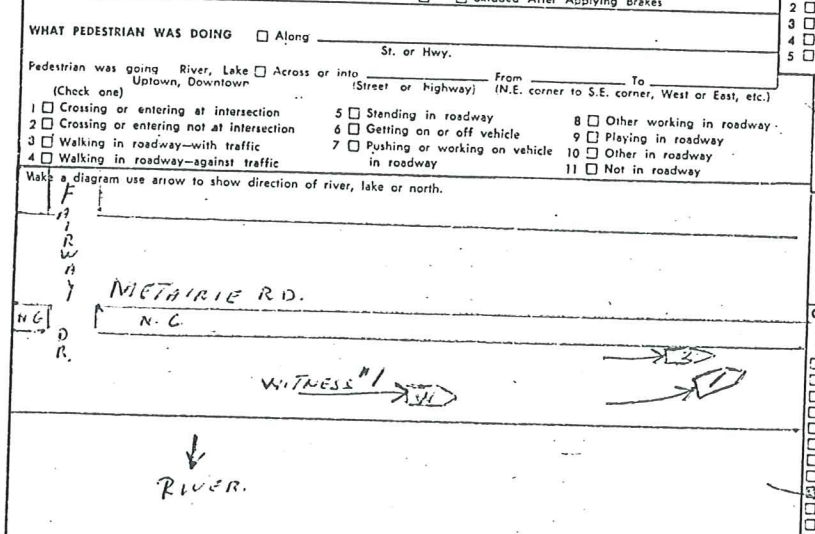
Pedestrian was going River, Lake Uptown, Downtown ☐ Across or into _____ (Street or highway) From _____ To _____ (N.E. corner to S.E. corner, West or East, etc.)

(Check one)
1 ☐ Crossing or entering at intersection
2 ☐ Crossing or entering not at intersection
3 ☐ Walking in roadway—with traffic
4 ☐ Walking in roadway—against traffic
5 ☐ Standing in roadway
6 ☐ Getting on or off vehicle
7 ☐ Pushing or working on vehicle in roadway
8 ☐ Other working in roadway
9 ☐ Playing in roadway
10 ☐ Other in roadway
11 ☐ Not in roadway

**KIND OF LOCALITY** (Check one)
1 ☐ Apts., stores, factories
2 ☒ Residential
3 ☐ Farms, fields
4 ☐ No marginal development

**ROAD CONTOUR** (check one)
1 ☒ Straight road
2 ☐ Curve
3 ☐ Level
4 ☐ On grade
5 ☐ Hillcrest

Make a diagram use arrow to show direction of river, lake or north.




**LIGHT CONDITIONS** (Check one)
1 ☐ Daylight
2 ☐ Dawn or Dusk
3 ☐ Darkness
4 ☐ Darkness, Street Lighted

**ROAD CONDITION** (Check one)
1 ☐ Dry
2 ☐ Wet
3 ☐ Snowy or Icy
4 ☐ _____ specify other

**CONTRIBUTING CIRCUMSTANCES**

| Driver 1 | Driver 2 | (Check one or more for each driver) Pedestrian or Vehicle |
|---|---|---|
| ☐ 1 | ☐ | Speed too fast |
| ☐ 2 | ☐ | Failed to yield right-of-way |
| ☐ 3 | ☐ | Wrong side or against traffic |
| ☐ 4 | ☐ | Improper passing |
| ☐ 5 | ☐ | Disregarded stop sign |
| ☐ 6 | ☐ | Disregarded traffic signal |
| ☐ 7 | ☐ | Following too closely |
| ☐ 8 | ☐ | Improper Turning |
| ☒ 9 | ☐ | Other Improper Driving |
| ☐ 10 | ☐ | Inadequate brakes |
| ☐ 11 | ☐ | Improper lights |
| ☐ 12 | ☐ | Had been drinking to any degree |
| ☐ 13 | ☐ | Physical defects (explain) |
| ☐ 14 | ☒ | No improper driving |
| ☐ 15 | ☐ | Not known if drinking |

Describe what happened refer to vehicle by #

SEE WHITE PAPER REPORT

Police Activity and Enforcement Action Time notified of accident 11-9-67 12:00 (Date, Hour) ☐ AM ☒ PM — Time of arrival on scene 12:20 (Hour) ☐ AM ☐ PM

Name A. F. BACKER JR. Charges D-25423 - RECKLESS DRIVING. Arrested ☐

Name _____ Charges _____ Arrested ☐

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SIGN HERE Patr. C. Stuart (Officers rank and name) 1194 (Badge No.) AID (Department (district or division)) 11-13-67 (Date of Report)

APPROVED _____ Supervising Officer Photographs taken ☐ Yes ☒ No By Whom _____

DETAILED REMARKS
ITEM No. K-1541-67

Patn. Arthur Levet reports of investigating an auto accident on Metairie Road, about 2000 feet downtown of Fairway Drive on November 3, 1967 about 12:20 PM.

Driver of vehicle # 2 said she was operating her Motor Scooter downtown on Metairie Road and after crossing the 17th Street Canal, she changed over fromthe right lane into the left lane and passed vehicle # 1, which appeared to be stopping. After traveling in the left lane, for some distance, vehicle # 1 overtook her from in the right lane and when getting alongside of her, suddenly cut over into her lane causing her motorscooter to strike the neutral ground curb throwing her off with her face striking the curbing and neutral ground. Vehicle # 1 fled the scene.

Driver of vehicle # 2 further said that witness # 2 stopped and gave her a business card with his name and phone number. He also gave her the license plate number of vehicle # 1.

Witness # 1 said he was traveling behind vehicle # 1 and as they crossed the 17th Street Canal into Orleans Parish, vehicle # 1 applied brakes slowing almost to a stop. At that time vehicle # 2 passed vehicle # 1 and continued straight ahead in the traffic lane next to the neutral ground. Vehicle # 1 picked up speed overtaking vehicle # 2 from the right then suddenly cut over into the neutral ground traffic lane almost striking vehicle # 2 and forcing the driver into the neutral ground curb. Driver of vehicle # 2 was thrown off the vehicle and vehicle # 1 fled the scene and stopped about one block further down Metairie Road. The driver got out of vehicle # 1, then cut back into it again and drove away.

Registration obtained from Auto Theft and vehicle # 1 registered to A. F. Backer Jr., No. 32 Allard Blvd., for a 1966 Cadillac.

Investigating Officer went to # 32 Allard Blvd. and spoke to the maid who cojtacted Mrs. Backer by phone. Mrs. Backer said she would have Mr. Backer contact the investigating Officer at Police Headquarters.

On November 3, 1967, at 2:00 PM Mr. Backer contacted the investigating Officer by telephone.

Mr. Backer stated that he owns the vehicle in question and he was on Metairie Road when the Motor Scooter struck the curbing. However, he was in no way involved or caused the driver to strike the curb. Mr. Backer further stated that he was traveling in the right lane and behind vehicle # 2 which was traveling in the left lane. The driver of vehicle # 2 turned her head towards the rear and was straightening some books that were tiedon a luggage rack. At that time the driver lost control and struck the curb. He came to a stop about one half blockaway and got out of his car to see if the driver of vehicle # 2 was oK. After seeing the driver of

vehicle # 2 standing up on the neutral ground, he got into his car and drove on as she did not appear to need help.

Vehicle # 1 was checked by Officer and there was no evidence to show contact with vehicle # 2.

Witness # 2 was contacted by phone and he stated that he was traveling towards Metairie on Metairie Road when he saw vehicle # 2 turn over on its side and the driver on the injured obviously on the neutral ground. He also saw vehicle # 1 stopped in the right hand traffic lane ahead of vehicle # 2. The driver got into vehicle # 1 and drove away. He wrote down the license plate number of vehicle # 1 in case it was involved in the accident. He then offered assistance to the driver of vehicle # 2 and gave her the license number of vehicle # 1 after he was informed by the driver of vehicle # 2 that vehicle # 1 caused the accident. Witness # 2 further stated that he did not witness the accident but arrived on the scene just after it occurred.

On November 15, 1967 Mr. T. Giraud, Assistant Attorney for Traffic Court, Section A, was consulted in this matter.

Mr. Giraud advised that there was insufficient evidence to charge the driver of vehicle # 1 with fleeing the scene of an accident, however, Mr. Giraud accepted charges against the driver of vehicle # 1 for violation of Ordinance 828 NCS 38:99 relative to reckless driving.

On November 15, 1967 affidavit No. D-254123 was filed against the driver of vehicle # 1, Mr. A. F. Backer Jr., charging him with reckless driving.

Arthur Levet

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